

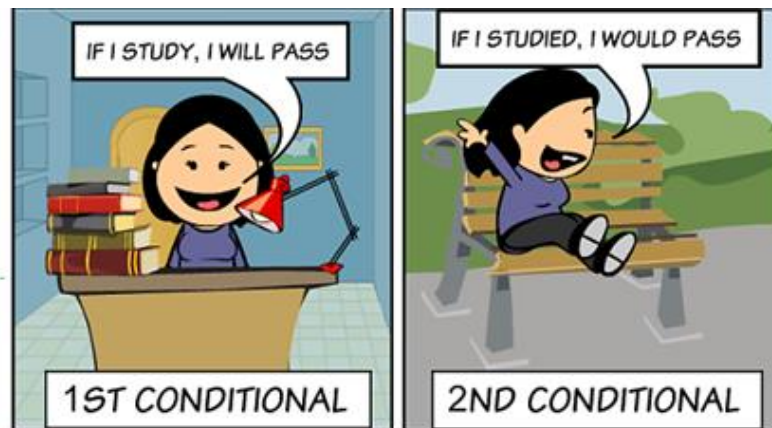
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Conditional Sentences

(If clause types 1 & 2)

Objectives: Understand the use of conditionals to express possibility.

When we talk about hypothetical situations with **If ...**, we can use the first conditional or second conditional structure.



First Conditional

Structure

IF + Simple Present, Simple Future
(S + will/won't + V(bare form))

Usage

To talk about possibilities in the present or in the future

Examples

- If it **rains**, I **will stay** at home.
- If I **wake** up late, I **will miss** the bus.
- And, if it's sunny, we'll **go** to the park.
- If Juan **leaves**, Paula **will be** sad.
- If I **find** your email, I **will send** you the picture.
- If you **study** hard, you **will pass** your exams.



SECOND CONDITIONAL

Structure

IF+ Past Simple, Present Conditional

(To be: use WERE) (would/wouldn't + Verb (bare form)).

Usage

Imaginary situations in the present or future

Examples



- If I **won** a million dollars, I **would buy** a new car.
- If I **were** you, I **would quit** smoking.
- If I **were** the president, I **would lower** taxes.
- They **would stay** longer if they **had** more time.
- If I **won** a million dollars, I **could stop** working.
- If I **had** more free time, I **could travel** around the world.

Things to remember:

We **do not** use *will* or *would* in the *If*- part of the conditional sentence.

The *If*- part of the sentence can go at the beginning or at the end.

In a first conditional sentence, we can use **when** instead of **if** for things that we are sure will happen.



Exercises

- Put the verb in the correct form to complete each sentence.

1. If global warming continues, temperatures will rise (rise) even higher.
2. What would you do if you _____ (win) a million dollars?
3. If people stopped using cars completely, there _____ (be) much less pollution.
4. When it _____ (rain) again, I won't forget to bring my umbrella.
5. If I spoke English fluently, _____ (not/need) to take lessons.
6. If Siberia _____ (not/be) so cold, I'd go there in winter.
7. Tom will be at the party tonight. If I see him, I _____ (say) hello.
8. If it _____ (not/rain) so much in England, you wouldn't see so many umbrellas.
9. I _____ (call) you when I get home.
10. Where _____ (you/live) when you move out of your flat?

Study each situation and complete the sentence below. Decide whether to use a first or second conditional structure.

1. According to the weather forecast there is a chance of snow tomorrow.

If it snows (snow), I will need (need) to buy a pair of gloves.

2. Patrick is deciding whether to go to France or Spain on his next holiday.

If Patrick _____ (go) to Spain, he _____) (be) very satisfied.

3. John works 12 hours a day.

If John _____ (not/be) so busy, he _____ (have) more time for his family.

4. Kate is out of work, but she goes shopping every day.

If Kate _____ (continue) to go shopping, she _____ (run out) of money.

5. It is a sunny day with clear blue skies.

If it _____ (rain), I _____ (need) an umbrella.

6. Anne's boss is very demanding.

If Anne's boss _____ (not/be) so demanding, she _____
(not/be) so stressed.

7. Daniel has an exam tomorrow.

If Daniel _____ (pass) his exam, he _____ (celebrate) with
his friends.